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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Operations

SUBJECT: Use of the term "intelligence information" in Statement of Functions of CIA Offices.

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1. We have received your two-page memo of 19 June about using "intelligence information" -- and have not been convinced! "Intelligence" is not an adjective, so we deplore its use as a short cut to describe the type of information in which CIA is interested.
2. We contemplate no "sweeping changes", or any other changes, in your functions. Your monitoring and collecting should still be selective for our purposes. If you wish to describe the raw information you collect, let it be for the purposes of intelligence, or for use by the Intelligence Agencies, or even for "foreign positive intelligence".
3. We desire to avoid confusion and to keep information (raw, positive, or otherwise) separate from the end result of intelligence, obtained after the raw information has been evaluated. Rather than use "raw information" and "evaluated information", we still think we should stick to "information" and "intelligence". In this profession, they are two different things. Wherever you use "intelligence information" in your memo, you could use "information for intelligence purposes".
4. And, according to the large Webster dictionary's definition (b), we cannot use "Intelligence Office"!

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